

Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife
Application for Wholesale Fish Dealer
and/or Fish Buyer for the Year _____

Department Use Only			
License Type		Card #	
Dealer Number	Buyer Number	Payment Received	
Port Code			
Total Fee	Amount Received		

Wholesale Fish Dealer Information	
<input type="checkbox"/> Wholesale Fish Dealer.....See Current Price List (Does not include Fish Buyer License)	<input type="checkbox"/> Fish Buyer.....See Current Price List (May only buy for listed wholesale dealer)

Instructions on the Back

Wholesale Fish Dealer Information		
Company Name/Owner Name		
Washington State Business License Number (Required)		
Permanent Street Address		
Mailing Address		
City	State	Zip Code
Phone Number		
Contact Person		
Last Name	First Name	Initial
Permanent Phone Number		
I hereby certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the state of Washington that the above information is true and correct. Providing false information may invalidate this license. My signature below certifies that I have read and understand the information on the back of this form.		
Signature of Wholesale Dealer		Date
Signed at (place)		

Fish Buyer Information					
Last Name		First Name		Initial	
Permanent Street Address					
Mailing Address					
City		State		Zip Code	
Birthdate (M/D/Y)	Sex	Hair	Eyes	Weight	Height
Permanent Phone					
Buying Location (Enter location where most of your purchases will be landed)					
Social Security Number (required)					
I hereby certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the state of Washington that the above information is true and correct. Providing false information may invalidate this license.					
Signature of Fish Buyer				Date	
Signed at (place)					

Make fees payable to State Treasurer
License will expire December 31st of Issuance Year

Mail Applications Directly to:
 Department of Fish and Wildlife
 License Division
 600 Capitol Way N
 Olympia WA 98501-1091

Office Location:
 1111 Washington St. S.E. Olympia WA
 Phone Number: (360) 902-2464 *TDD (360) 902-2207
 Fax (360) 902-2945

This is a public document. Please be advised that the information submitted may be shared with other government agencies.

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

Wholesale Fish Dealer's License

A wholesale fish dealer's license is required for:

- (1) A business in the state to engage in the commercial processing of food fish or shellfish, including custom canning or processing of personal use food fish or shellfish.
- (2) A business in the state to engage in the wholesale selling, buying, or brokering of food fish or shellfish. A wholesale fish dealer's license is not required of those businesses which buy exclusively from Washington licensed wholesale dealers and sell solely at retail.
- (3) Fishermen who land and sell their catch or harvest in the state to anyone other than a licensed wholesale dealer within or outside the state.
- (4) A business to engage in the commercial manufacture or preparation of fertilizer, oil, meal, caviar, fish bait, or other by-products from food fish or shellfish.
- (5) A business employing a fish buyer.

Fish Buyer's License

- (1) A fish buyer's license is required of and shall be carried by each individual engaged by a wholesale fish dealer as a fish buyer. A fish buyer's license is assigned to only one wholesale fish dealer. Buyer card must be returned to Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife before you can buy for another wholesale dealer.
- (2) A "fish buyer" means an individual who purchases food fish or shellfish on behalf of the licensed wholesale dealer.

Wholesale Fish Dealers - Performance Bond

A wholesale fish dealer shall not take possession of food fish or shellfish until the dealer has been licensed and has deposited with the department an acceptable performance bond or savings account assignment on forms prescribed and furnished by the department. This performance bond shall be a corporate surety bond executed in favor of the department by a corporation authorized to do business in the state of Washington under Chapter 48.28 RCW and approved by the department. The bond or savings account assignment shall be maintained in an amount equal to one thousand dollars for each buyer engaged by the wholesale dealer. In no case shall the bond be less than two thousand dollars nor more than fifty thousand dollars. The savings account assignment must be held in a bank located in Washington.

Department of Health Shellfish Requirements

If you engage in a commercial shellfish operation, you must read and agree to comply with RCW 69.30, WAC 246-282 and the National Shellfish Sanitation Program Model Ordinance. Please call the Department of Health Office of Shellfish Programs at (360) 236-3330 for more information.

Notification Clause

The Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife receives federal financial assistance through the federal aid in fish and wildlife restoration acts. Any person who believes they have been discriminated against because of race, color, national origin, age or handicapping condition in a program, activity, or facility operated by the department, should write to: USFWS, Department of Interior, 18th & C Streets NW, Washington DC 20241. The complaint must include your name, address, phone number, date of incident, and reason you believe you have been discriminated against.

State of Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife

Important Information for Wholesale Dealers and Anadromous Fish Buyers

Determining Your Fee

The fee for a wholesale dealer license is \$250. A fish buyer license is included in the wholesale dealer fee only when the individual named on the bond or savings account assignment is also the fish buyer and when the fish buyer column on the original wholesale dealer application form is completed. The \$95 license fee is required for fish buyers who are corporate officers, additional buyers, or any other individual not named on the bond or savings account.

Corporation Licensing

Applications submitted in the name of a corporation must include a copy of those portions of the corporation papers that show the state seal, the corporation name, and a list of the current corporate officers. Only those individuals listed as corporate officers have the authority to sign for license renewals, changes, etc.

Fishery License Cards

Designation of a vessel is not required for license issuance. However, licenses for fisheries which require the use of a vessel must have the vessel designated on the license card in order to actively fish the license. Individuals who do not designate a vessel will be issued a license card. These cards will NOT have vessel information on them and they will NOT have WDFW registration numbers on the bottom right corner of the card. Check each card presented to you by the fisher - if fisher presents such a card to you, DO NOT PURCHASE THEIR PRODUCT; THAT LICENSE IS NOT VALID FOR LANDING PRODUCT.

Imported Fish Product Information

Fish tickets are required for all round (not processed) classified food fish or shellfish that are brought into the state of Washington from any state or country. Any import of fresh food fish, shellfish, or parts thereof, including iced fish or glazed fish not frozen throughout is required to be entered on fish receiving tickets. Custom canning or processing for other companies within Washington requires a wholesale dealers license.

If a wholesale dealer only imports products previously landed (fish tax paid) in other states or countries, that wholesale dealer does not need a fish buyer license. Fish receiving tickets are still required. Please contact Fish and Wildlife Information Systems office at (360) 902-2310 if you have any questions regarding fish tickets.

The following imports are not required to be listed of fish receiving tickets.

1. Fresh or frozen food fish or shellfish in interstate commerce, if no processing or repackaging occurs within Washington.
2. Food fish or shellfish packaged in another state for retail sales in Washington.
3. Any import of fish or shellfish which are frozen throughout, cured or canned.
4. Aquaculture products

Application Availability

Applications may be obtained through the License Division at 1111 Washington Street SE in Olympia. You may also call (360) 902-2464 or write to:

Department of Fish and Wildlife
License Division
600 Capital Way N.
Olympia, WA 98501

Anadromous Fish Buyer Licenses

An anadromous game fish buyers's license is required to purchase or sell steelhead trout and other anadromous game fish or roe harvested by treaty Indians possessing valid federal or tribal fishing identification cards during lawful open seasons.

A plastic license card is issued to be used when purchasing anadromous tribal products. If you also hold a wholesale dealer license DO NOT use you wholesale fish buyer card, use you anadromous fish buyer license.

The fee for an anadromous fish buyer license is \$180.